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Two in New Bern compete for MRI scanner

RALEIGH – Two Craven County area health care providers have filed competing applications with the Certificate of Need Section of the N.C. Division of Health Service Regulation to acquire a magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) scanner.

A public hearing for these projects, proposed by Eastern Carolina Internal Medicine and Coastal Carolina Healthcare both of New Bern, will be held at 1 p.m. on June 18 at Perdue Hall, Building 800 College Court in New Bern.

The 2008 State Medical Facilities Plan has identified a need for one additional MRI scanner in the Craven MRI service area. A summary of the applicants and the proposals follows:

- Eastern Carolina Internal Medicine proposes a \$2.3-million MRI scanner at 2604 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd in New Bern
- Coastal Carolina Healthcare proposes a \$ 1.6-million MRI scanner at 1020 Medical Park Ave., New Bern.

Anyone may file written comments concerning this proposal. Comments must be received by the Certificate of Need Section no later than June 2 at the following address:

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